REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment, Applicant amended the claims as presented in the English translation of the International Application PCT/DE2004/001706, enclosed herewith. Claims 4-38 were amended to avoid multiple dependency and to comply with U.S. rules. In making these amendments, care has been taken to ensure that no new matter has been added and that the claims remain supported by the specification.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge an additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commission is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

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